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FOR NEA/EX

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (HENRY A. KISSINGER), SY

SUBJECT: SECVISIT - PRESS ARRANGEMENTS

REF: A. STATE 085350; B. STATE 085603; C. DAMASCUS 0457;
D. STATE 084263

1. POST CANNOT THANK BUREAU ENOUGH FOR RAPIDITY WITH WHICH ALL TDY'ERS REQUESTED IN REFTEL C WERE SUPPLIED. ALL NEA POSTS HAVE CHIPPED IN AND WE ARE NOW FULLY MANNED. UNFORTUNATELY ONE FURTHER PROBLEM HAS CROPPED UP SINCE REFTEL C WENT OUT.

2. REFTELS A AND B PLACE VERY STRONG EMPHASIS ON PRESS COVERAGE AND ASSISTANCE TO NEW DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN MR. ROBERT ANDERSON.

3. REFTEL C LISTED REQUIREMENTS BEFORE EITHER REFTEL A OR B RECEIVED. POST WILL DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO SUPPLY MR. ANDERSON WITH ONE FULL TIME OFFICER, HOWEVER, WE HAVE NOT MADE PROVISIONS TO DO SO. DOES BUREAU HAVE ANY MORE TDY PEOPLE AVAILABLE? REFTEL B POINTS OUT THAT AN INFO OFFICER PREFERABLE. POST REALIZES LATE REQUESTS SUCH AS THESE UPSET THE PLANNING BUT REFTEL B ONLY RECEIVED 1745 ZULU 26 APRIL. ANY ASSISTANCE WILL BE APPRECIATED.

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4. IN ADDITION THERE IS ALSO MATTER OF PRESS AND TICKER SERVICE. POST ASKED FOR ONLY ONE OFFICER TO COVER THE REQUIREMENTS OF REFTEL D PARA 7 A AND B. GIVEN THE HOURS OF OPERATION (FIRST DELIVERY AT 0500 AND EVERY TWO HOURS UNTIL 2400) WE BELIEVE THE POST SHOULD HAVE ASKED FOR TWO PEOPLE INSTEAD OF ONE.

5. PLEASE ADVISE RE:

A. BULL TIME OFFICER TO BE ATTACHED TO MR. ANDERSON.

B. ADDITIONAL TICKER EDITOR.
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